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PRESIDENT: Would you like to close debate on this, Senator DeCamp?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes, I would, Mr. President. The Resolution recites all members of Congress and there is a deliberate reason and it does cost some money to send it to all of them, a few more bucks, but believe me, if we are ever going to get anything done on this, they are going to have to start recognizing the problem. Now think about this for a minute. In the whole State of Nebraska, there are very few people that even understand the problem. Of those letters you have received, I would say 90 or 95% of the people do not even understand what the problem is or where its solution lies. They think we can solve it. So we have to inform them, and believe it or not, we have to inform the Congress because there are many, many, many members there who don't even know. There is a significant possibility, and I think you should be aware of this, and believe me, I support Senator Rasmussen's effort to correct his problem as much as anyone. But study it, we have got to study it carefully because unless we can get Congress to act, now listen, unless we can, there is a real possibility that our legislation there will add money to the federal government and take it from Nebraska without ever changing the amount actually paid so be aware of that. Okay, if we are going to start correcting the confusion, it has to start here with information out to the public, and after that, information to the Congress and then pressure from this body. It isn't going to come from New York or places like that. It is going to have to come from people in agricultural states who have an interest and who want to get it solved and who are willing to either put pressure on their Congressmen to make noise to get it corrected or willing to go there themselves.

PRESIDENT: The question is, shall the Legislature adopt LR 116? Record your vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays, 9 not voting on the motion to adopt, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Resolution is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have some material to read in, Mr. President, Senator DeCamp asks unanimous consent to print amendments to LB 565. Notice of Committee Hearings. Your committee on Public Works gives notice of hearing. The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee gives notice of hearing and the Labor Committee gives notice of hearing. The Retirement Systems Committee gives notice of hearing. A Reference Committee report, Mr. President, referring LB 995 to the Education Committee. The Judiciary Committee respectfully reports LB 568 and 601 have been indefinitely postponed. Your Labor Committee respectfully reports that LB 710 was advanced to General File. Nothing further, Mr. President.